

January 23, 2017

Marlene H. Dortch, The Commission Secretary  
The Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Aloha Ms. Dortch:

I support the intent of the attached form letter sent to the Sandwich Isle Communications (SIC) customers.

**HOWEVER...**

My concern is focused on the communication need and its affordability to the Hawaiian Home Lands customer base. \*I can barely pay my monthly bill now. Any increase will definitely result in no landline. In fact, my phone is currently disconnected since finances have been a family challenge. I look forward to tax refunds as a "saving" that will assist with "catching-up" with several financial obligations. This I can guarantee-I'm not the only one. In particular cases, Native Hawaiian customers must make a choice to keep the lines open to family, friends, and others in communiqué via cellphones &/or landlines. Cellphone costs can be ridiculously exorbitant.

**Most important to consider: IMPERATIVE SERIOUS PROBLEMS**

1. The kupuna (elderly) generation who are homebound. They are not necessarily familiar with today's technology aka cellphones and computers.
2. Native Hawaiian incarceration is paramount. Communications with their family are dominated by parents and children, can only occur via landline phones.

**In addition**, we-the Native Hawaiian community, are very aware of the crimes committed by Albert Hee, Founder and CEO of SIC. We anticipated/suspected consequences would affect thousands of Native Hawaiians as the result of the selfish-greedy actions of one person contributing and jeopardizing the "communication benefit" of many. We do not condone his actions; nor do we agree with the "club med" incarceration treatment. \*I reiterate ¶ 2.

**In closing**, please reconsider any negative FCC action that will impact the "innocent." If you are in need of an oversight committee for future actions of the FCC and SIC, I volunteer my services. Thank you for your kind consideration on all these vital issues.

Aloha No,



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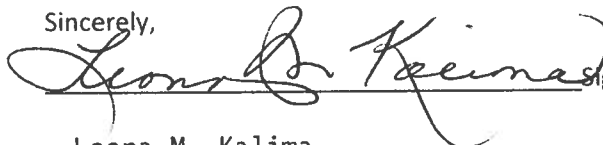
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Aloha FCC Commissioners,

Subject: Response to FCC orders on Sandwich Isles Communications, WC Docket No. 10-90

I am writing in support of Sandwich Isles Communications (SIC), which provides basic phone and Internet service to underserved and unserved homesteaders. These services are critical in today's society, and SIC has been providing them exclusively to homestead areas, including those in remote and sparsely populated areas that other companies did not want to serve. We understand that SIC has complied with industry standards and accounting practices, following the recommendation of national consultants. This is not fair to SIC and native Hawaiians living on Hawaiian Home Lands. For the sake of Hawaii's people, I urge you to ensure that native Hawaiians are able to benefit from the federal programs that allow SIC to provide today's technology at affordable prices. Thank you.

Sincerely,

 Signature

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